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A substitute name for the Luzon race of Copsychus saularis

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Defying all laws of probability, certain things in this world seem to be particularly unlucky for certain people. It appears that I should in the future avoid at all costs the introduction of a new scientific name bearing the prefix hetero-. Recently in this journal (Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., Vol. 81, p. 33) I had to propose the new name Orthotomus atrogularis rabori to replace my O. a. heterolaemus, a name whose prior use I had completely overlooked. History now repeats itself, and I find that the name Copsychus saularis heterogynus, which I recently proposed for the Luzon subspecies of the Dyal, is also preoccupied, as the genus Kittacincla is no longer considered separable from Copsychus. I therefore offer a substitute name, as follows:

Copsychus saularis deuteronymus, nom. nov. Replaces Copsychus saularis heterogynus Parkes, Postilla, no. 67, 1962, p. 3, not Kittacincla malabarica heterogyna Oberholser, Bull. U.S. Nat. Mus., Vol. 98, 1917, p. 53, now Copsychus malabaricus heterogynus (Oberholser).

Oberholser's use of this name was called to my attention by the recent paper by Hoogerwerf (Ardea, Vol. 50, 1962, p. 183), in which doubt is cast on the taxonomic validity of this and several other Oberholser races of Copsychus malabaricus.

Notes on birds seen in eastern Aden Protectorate

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